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Ms. Ross - A two month extension of time request was originally transmitted with this amendment. The last page shows my deposit account activity for May, showing where the \$225.00 was applied to the incorrect S/N.

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## FIRST AMENDMENT

Responsive to the first office action mailed 12/7/2004 the following Amendment is made.

## IN THE ABSTRACT

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